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SUBJ: REALIGNMENT OF NAVAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

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1. DEFENSE DEPARTMENT, FCO, HAS NOW REPLIED IN AN 18 SEPTEMBER LETTER TO OUR 17 JULY LETTER REQUESTING HMG'S APPROVAL "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE" FOR THE LONDONDERRY TO THURSO RELOCATION.

"YOU WROTE TO TEDDY JACKSON ON 17 JULY ABOUT THE TRANSFER OF US NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES FROM LONDONDERRY TO THURSO IN SCOTLAND.

"WHEN WE DISCUSSED THIS RECENTLY I SAID THAT WE WOULD BE SENDING YOU A STANDARD FORM OF QUESTIONNAIRE WHICH HAS TO BE COMPLETED WHENEVER A PROPOSAL IS MADE FOR THE MODIFICATION OF COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES IN THE UK. I NOW ENCLOSE A COPY OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE, AND WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF IT COULD BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED IN DUE COURSE.

"WE SHOULD ALSO BE GRATEFUL IF, IN ORDER TO ENABLE US TO CONSIDER ALL THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE MOVE, YOU

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COULD LET US KNOW (A) WHAT RESTRICTIONS THERE ARE AT

PRESENT ON THE USE OF THE SURROUNDING LAND AS A RESULT OF THE EXISTING INSTALLATION AT WEST MURKLE AND (B) WHAT ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS WOULD BE IMPOSED AS A RESULT OF THE NEW DEVELOPMENT. FOR INSTANCE, WILL THE US NAVY WANT TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN DEVELOPMENTS OR ACTIVITIES WITHIN A GIVEN RADIUS OF THE STATION? (WITH OTHER COMMUNICATIONS STATIONS IT HAS SOMETIMES BEEN NECESSARY TO PROHIBIT SUCH PROCESSES AS ARC-WELDING WITHIN A CERTAIN RADIUS AND ALSO TO LIMIT THE USE OF OTHER ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.) WE NEED THIS INFORMATION IN ORDER TO KNOW TO WHAT EXTEND ADDITIONAL LAND IN AN AREA WHICH IS KEEN TO ACCEPT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE STERILISED BY THE RELOCATION OF THESE FACILITIES AT THURSO."

2. WE HAVE PASSED TO CINCUSNAVEUR THE QUESTIONNAIRE AND LETTER.

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